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SUBJECT: VISIT OF TEXAS MARITIME ACADEMY TRAINING SHIP "TEXAS CLIPPER" TO CERTAIN FOREIGN PORTS

REFERENCES: MEXICO 09456; STATE 144488, 039699, AND A-0020

- 1. DEPARTMENT'S A-0020, SENT PARIS, LIMA AND MEXICO, JANUARY 5, REQUESTED DIPLOMATIC CLEARANCE FOR VISITS OF "TEXAS CLIPPER" TO FORT DE FRANCE, MARTINIQUE, JUNE 24-27, CALLAO, JULY 10-14, AND VERACRUZ, JULY 25-28. DEPARTMENT'S 039699 TO PARIS PROVIDED INFORMATION RE VESSEL'S COMPLEMENT.
- 2. EMBASSY REQUESTED OBTAIN CLEARANCE FOR VISIT VERACRUZ AND EXTENSION TO "TEXAS CLIPPER" OF COURTESIES NORMALLY ACCORDED U.S. GOVERNMENT PUBLIC VESSEL.
- 3. THE COMMANDING OFFICER OF "TEXAS CLIPPER" IS CAPTAIN LEWIS NEWTON. COMPLEMENT: 27 OFFICERS, 10 ENLISTED MEN, UNCLASSIFIED

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AND 175 CADETS. IT IS NOT KNOWN IF REAR ADMIRAL JOHN W. SMITH, USMS, SUPERINTENDENT, TEXAS MARITIME ACADEMY WILL BE ON BOARD.

4. THE "TEXAS CLIPPER" IS FORMER "SS EXCAMBION" OF AMERICAN EXPORT ISBRANDTSEN LINES. AT PRESENT, SHE IS U.S. GOVERNMENT OWNED UNDOCUMENTED VESSEL ASSIGNED

TO TEXAS MARITIME ACADEMY ON LOAN BASIS UNDER PROVISIONS OF PUBLIC LAW 85-672, 85TH CONGRESS FOR PRIMARY PURPOSE OF TRAINING MERCHANT MARINE OFFICERS.

5. SINCE VESSEL DEPARTING GALVESTON JUNE 10, EARLY REPLY MARKED FOR PROTOCOL DESIRED. VANCE

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